

Annual Report

— OF THE —

TOWN OFFICERS

— OF —

ACUSHNET.

TO MARCH 15, 1889.

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS OF ACUSHNET,

To March 15, 1889.

I would most respectfully present to you my account as Collector of Taxes and Town Treasurer, for the financial year ending March 15, 1889.

Caleb Slade, Collector, in account with the town of Acushnet:

DR.

To uncollected taxes of 1882,	\$4.68	
Uncollected taxes of 1883,	8.00	
Uncollected taxes of 1884,	14.64	
Uncollected taxes of 1885,	52.57	
Uncollected taxes of 1886,	180.26	
Uncollected taxes of 1887,	489.38	
Amount of tax bills of 1888:		
State tax,	855.00	
County tax,	870.85	
Town tax,	4985.65	
Interest on taxes collected,	22.03	\$7483.06

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By amount paid State Treasurer,	\$855.00
Amount paid County Treasurer,	870.85
Amount paid Town Treasurer,	4840.27
Discount for prompt payment,	354.54
Abatement by Assessors,	25.67
Taxes remitted,	106.46

By uncollected taxes of 1882,	
Uncollected taxes of 1883,	\$3.90
Uncollected taxes of 1884,	3.20
Uncollected taxes of 1885,	3.20
Uncollected taxes of 1886,	8.00
Uncollected taxes of 1887,	32.18
Uncollected taxes of 1888,	92.79
	287.00
	\$7483.06

Caleb Slade, Town Treasurer, in account with the town
of Acushnet:

Dr.

1888, March 15, Balance of Cash,		\$1590.60
To amount received from State Treasurer:		
For corporation tax,	\$313.91	
For national bank tax,	987.70	
For State aid,	75.00	
From income of school fund,	205.40	
From revenue of school fund,	90.10	
To amount received from County Treasurer, dog fund,	165.49	
To amount received from Caleb Slade, Collector,	4840.27	
To amount received from George R. Cook, for support of Mary M. Cook,	169.92	
To amount received from Benjamin White, guardian of William D. Taber,	169.92	
To amount received from town of Lakeville, for support of poor,	10.00	
To amount received from town of Mattapoisett, for support of poor,	6.00	
To amount received from Asa M. Besse, for 8 bushels potatoes,	8.00	
To amount received from Asa M. Besse, for board of Arthur Besse, at almshouse,	40.00	
To amount received from John M. Collins, for support of Patience Collins, at hospital,	74.28	

To amount received from E. R. Ashley, auctioneer's license,	\$2.00	
To amount overassumed on teachers' salaries, March 15, 1888,	29.75	
To amount received from Geo. B. Brown for four copies of Evangeline,	.60	
To amount received from discounted loan,	789.67	\$9568.61

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By amount paid for support of poor,	\$865.81	
Amount paid for incidental expenses,	1848.34	
Amount paid for support of schools,	2122.88	
Amount paid for support of highways,	2459.58	
Amount paid Merchants National Bank,	800.00	
Balance cash in treasury, March 15, 1889,	1472.00	\$9568.61

Uncollected Taxes of 1882.

NON-RESIDENTS.

Seth M. Blackmer,	\$.78	
Joseph Jenney,	3.12	\$3.90

Uncollected Taxes of 1883.

NON-RESIDENTS.

Joseph Jenney,		\$3.20
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Uncollected Taxes of 1884.

NON-RESIDENTS.

John E. Aiken,	\$.64	
Joseph Jenney,	2.56	\$3.20

Uncollected Taxes of 1885.

John F. Harding,	\$4.00	
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NON-RESIDENTS.

John E. Aiken,	.80	
Joseph Jenney,	3.20	\$8.00

Uncollected Taxes of 1886.

William F. Chace,	\$4.58
John F. Harding,	4.58
Frank T. Howland,	10.67
James F. Reynolds,	.31

NON-RESIDENTS.

John E. Aiken,	.86	
Joseph Jenney,	3.44	
Joseph C. Jenney,	.86	
Joseph Sayers,	3.87	
Charles E. Washburn,	3.01	\$32.18

Uncollected Taxes of 1887.

George Brightman,	\$2.00
George W. Bennett,	2.00
John B. Brooks,	2.00
William F. Chace,	5.00
John F. Harding,	5.00
Frank T. Howland,	34.00
Reuben A. Peckham,	2.00
Phineas Peckham,	1.50
James F. Reynolds,	2.00
Humphrey S. Taber,	4.00
Marcus M. Thompson,	20.00
Charles P. Washburn,	1.29

NON-RESIDENTS.

John E. Aiken,	1.00	
Joseph C. Jenney,	1.00	
Michael Mahooney,	1.00	
Est. of Enos Pope,	.50	
Andrew Read,	1.00	
Joseph Sayers,	4.00	
Charles E. Washburn,	3.50	\$92.79

Uncollected Taxes of 1888.

Frank H. Ashley,	\$2.50
George Brightman,	25.00
John B. Brooks,	2.00
Alden A. Cole,	2.50
Lucius E. Gamsby,	3.50
Andrew B. Grinnell, Jr.,	2.00
John J. Holmes,	2.00

George W. Hathaway,	\$5.00
S. B. Lawson,	84.00
Joseph H. Lewis,	8.00
Lewis H. Morse,	3.00
Rufus Omev,	1.00
George W. Parris,	2.00
James F. Reynolds,	2.00
Frank E. Taber,	2.00
Estate of Chester Thornton,	8.50
Humphrey S. Taber,	4.00
Marcus M. Thompson,	20.00
Alonzo Tefft,	32.50
Nathaniel E. Pierce,	2.00
George Parris,	6.00
Benjamin T. Wilbur,	10.00
Arthur B. Wilbur,	2.00
Charles P. Washburn,	12.00
This amount paid March 18,	14.00

NON-RESIDENTS.

William T. Brightman,	1.00	
Samuel S. Gardiner,	3.50	
Nathan Howard,	.50	
Joseph C. Jenney,	1.00	
Joseph H. Lawrence,	1.00	
A. W. Perkins,	2.00	
Estate of Mrs. Pardon Potter,	4.00	
Estate of John Pierce,	9.00	
Andrew Read,	1.00	
Thomas Spooner,	3.00	
Charles E. Washburn,	3.50	\$287.00

I respectfully present to you my report as Town Clerk
for the year ending December 31, 1888.

Births Registered in Acushnet, in 1888.

Date.	Name of Child.	Names of Parents.
Jan. 3.	Florence A. Tripp.	Alfred R. and Elizabeth.
Feb. 5.	Reginold Edward Swift.	Edward T. N. and Antoinette E.
Mar. 2.	Jennie Frances Ward.	Frank R. and Josephine C.
Mar. 28.	Edward F. Clapp.	Benjamin A. and Mary J.
April 4.	Edith Frances Ellis.	Nathaniel B. and Clara M.
April 11.	Alonzo Everett Tefft.	Alonzo and Mary E.
April 19.	Jennie Bisbee Lawrence.	Albert M. and Sarah E.
May 1.	Bertha Eldridge Wallen.	— Hattie M.
June 10.	Chester J. T. Greene.	Peleg H. and Delia A.
Aug. 5.	Edna Leonard Vincent.	John Miller and Eliza Leonard,
Aug. 25.	Earl Cornish Burt.	Joseph W. and Helen R.
April 7.	Peter Dennis Murphy.	Dennis and Margaret A.
Oct. 8.	Cynthia T. Pierce.	George W. and Jennie.
Mar. 31.	Pardon Taber.	Henry F. and Cora E.

Marriages Registered in Acushnet, in 1888.

Date.	Name of Groom and Bride.	Residence.
May 15.	Everett James Collins.	Acushnet.
June 7.	Delight Elvina Phillips.	Acushnet.
	Leonard D. Heath.	Acushnet.
Oct. 27.	Mary E. Braley.	Acushnet.
	Harry F. Snow.	New Bedford.
Nov. 1.	Annie A. Dexter.	Acushnet.
	Charles P. Cottle.	Acushnet.
Nov. 3.	Claribel C. Rogers.	New Bedford.
	George B. York.	Acushnet.
Nov. 14.	Emma F. Morse.	Acushnet.
	Henry W. Chace.	Acushnet.
Nov. 28.	Arabella C. Sturtevant.	Acushnet.
	Amos F. Wright.	Middleboro.
Dec. 25.	Hattie Abbott.	Acushnet.
	Frederick A. Gifford.	Middleboro.
	Lila May Macomber.	Dartmouth.
		Acushnet.

Deaths Registered in Acushnet, in 1888.

Date.	Name.	Age.			Disease.
		Y.	M.	D.	
Jan. 13.	Nancy Bennett.	81	2	4	Paralysis.
Feb. 18.	Ethel D. Stone.	1	11	9	Cancer of Liver.
Feb. 15.	Ebenezer M. Hathaway.	70			Catarrhal Bronchitis.
Feb. 10.	Hendrick R. Gifford.	80	10	2	Paralysis.
Feb. 9.	Burrage Y. Warner.	59	6		Pneumonia.
Mar. 5.	Samuel B. Hamblin.	76		1	Cancer of stomach.
Mar. 22.	Susan B. Coleman.	67	1	6	Acute erysipelas.
Mar. 27.	Sadie E. Albro.	18	10	17	Consumption.
Mar. 12.	Carrie P. Cottle.	34			Pneumonia.
Apr. 16.	Adelia Maranville.	79	7	15	Dislocation of hip joint.
Apr. 27.	—— Drake.				Stillborn.
Aug. 13.	George W. Lewis.	75	8		General paresis and diarrhœa.
Aug. 14.	Lucretia C. Wheldon.	54	8	14	Cancer.
Aug. 29.	Ruth P. Drake.	40			Burns received.
Sept. 4.	Chester B. Wing.	17	11	6	Internal injuries.
Sept. 6.	Barnabas Collins.	83	6		Senility.
Sept. 19.	Frederick A. Crafts.	66			Cancer of stomach.
Sept. 26.	James Potter.	60			Paralysis.
Oct. 7.	Charles W. Slocum.	38	1	6	Brain disease.
Oct. 13.	Marshall D. Keith.	70	8	23	Bright's disease.
Oct. 19.	John R. Davis, Jr.	73	2	15	Old age.
Mar. 15.	Harriet N. Besse.	54		5	Blood poisoning.

Number of dogs licensed in Acushnet, in 1888, 99: 90 males and 9 females.

CALEB SLADE,
Town Clerk of Acushnet.

The Selectmen of the town of Acushnet respectfully submit the following annual report of the financial affairs of the town of Acushnet for the year ending March 15, 1889.

School Account.

Paid Mrs. Cornelia R. Church, teaching,	\$360.00
Miss Lizzie Bennett, in 1887, teaching,	23.00
Miss Helen M. Brightman, "	180.00
Mr. George B. Brown, "	100.00
Miss Mary S. Howard, "	300.00
Miss Lucy D. Ashley, "	80.00
Miss Martha W. White, "	160.00
Mrs. A. G. Dudley, "	90.00
Miss Myrtie E. Peckham, "	203.00
Mr. Edward W. Ashley, "	140.00
Mrs. Cornelia R. Church, care of fires and room,	9.20
Miss Minnie White, sweeping,	2.00
Master John C. Hawes, care of fires,	5.00
Master Avery O. Parker, " "	6.00
Master John D. Andrews, " "	17.70
Master Fred O. Tripp, " "	4.00
Master Ernest L. Morse, " "	9.15
Master Harry N. Parker, " "	5.00
Miss Bertha Tripp, sweeping,	2.00
Miss Lucy Hathaway, " "	1.60
Miss Fannie E. White, " "	1.60
Mr. O. E. Kingsbury, teaching,	150.00
Miss Bessie E. Taber, " "	140.00
Moses S. Douglass, wood for school houses,	3.25
Mrs. A. F. Dudley, school incidentals,	.50
Town of Mattapoisett, for tuition,	29.33
Est. of A. P. Robinson, wood for school,	62.99
Joseph Maxim, preparing wood,	14.33
Jerome P. Tripp, " "	4.88
Granville A. Ashley, " "	5.10
William S. Gracie, " "	1.50
Augustus White, wood and preparing and school incidentals,	9.00
J. P. Peckham, preparing fuel,	1.00
Everet L. Morse, " "	1.75
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	\$2122.88

Incidental Account.

Paid Richard Davis, services as Committee on Accounts, 1887,	\$3.50
Benjamin T. Wilbur, services as Committee on Accounts, 1887,	3.50
Edward W. Ashley, services as Committee on Accounts, 1887,	3.50
Joseph A. Burt, services as Constable, 1887,	7.00
Charles M. Morse, Jr., services as Health Committee, 1887,	3.00
Bounty on destruction of crows and skunks paid from March 15 to April 1, 1888,	12.00
Mercury Publishing Co., printing town reports,	24.00
Mercury Publishing Co., printing tax bills,	2.50
Phineas White, pump at Long Plain,	8.40
Charles M. Morse, Jr., repairs and fixtures on school houses,	1.90
George A. Cobb, repairs on stove,	1.50
Mercury Publishing Co., printing posters and cards,	3.50
Edwin Dews, blank book,	5.50
Isaac Churchill, repairs on school house,	21.37
Caleb Slade, services at town meeting, as voted by the town,	5.00
Benjamin White, services as Moderator, as voted by the town,	5.00
Walter Taber, gravel,	5.00
A. M. Edwards, language charts,	30.00
Benjamin Wilson and Latham T. Jennings, for contract work constructing wall on north side of mill dam,	300.00
Charles W. Slocum, administering oath,	1.25
Charles M. Morse, Jr., measuring wood,	1.50
Benjamin White, expense on corporation tax,	3.50
“ “ postage,	1.00
Charles Paisler, cement,	8.00
Sylvester Pratt, services as Constable,	15.10
Greenough & Co., blank book,	2.00
Stephen White, for pump and expense at well at Bisbee school house,	15.00

Paid Weston C. Vaughan, returning record of deaths,	\$2.25
Ebenezer Leonard, for guide board painting, and paid bills for lettering, and for posts and setting,	26.78
J. Handy, steel,	16.80
Mrs. Lizzie Pittsley, cleaning school houses,	4.00
Mrs. E. Thomas Denham, same,	8.00
Augustus White, paid bills for school incidentals,	10.90
C. A. Howland, fixing stove pipe,	.50
James H. Sears, repairs on school house,	2.44
Caleb Slade, services at fall elections as voted by the town,	5.00
James R. Sherman, repairs on school house steps,	.75
Thomas E. Braley, administering oaths,	.50
E. W. Ashley, fixtures at school house,	1.50
Caleb Slade, paid expressage,	3.30
Benjamin White, expense before Legislative Committee,	3.50
C. W. Haskins, clock for school,	4.50
James H. Sears, steps for Bisbee school house,	5.85
Caleb Slade, recording births, marriages, and deaths,	10.25
George W. Norton, filling stone holes,	4.49
Benjamin Wilson, " " "	16.25
Edward Pittsley, " " "	7.50
James H. Cobb, " " "	7.50
H. S. Hutchinson, books, stationery, etc., furnished schools,	212.27
Mercury Publishing Co., printing tax bills,	2.25
Caleb Slade, for paid bills for school house fixtures and incidentals,	9.81
Treasurer of Taunton Lunatic Hospital bills:	
For William D. Taber,	169.92
For Mary M. Cook,	169.92
For Patience T. Collins,	74.28
Caleb Slade, com. as Treasurer,	36.48
State aid to Cordelia M. Pittsley,	48.00

Paid military aid to Lemuel Dillingham,	\$72.00
Expense on registration,	5.00
Caleb Slade, services as School Committee,	25.00
Augustus White, services as School Committee,	25.00
Edward W. Ashley, services as School Committee,	30.00
Benjamin White, services as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of the Poor,	90.00
Ebenezer Leonard, services as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of the Poor,	65.00
Moses S. Douglass, services as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of the Poor,	62.00
Edward W. Ashley, balance salary as School Committee, 1887,	5.00
Edmund Delano, on bridge,	4.50
Caleb Slade, commission on taxes collected,	98.49
Mrs. Cornelia R. Church, school incidentals,	6.34
Charles M. Morse, Jr., repairs on school house,	1.00
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	\$1848.34

Poor Account.

Paid for articles purchased of Asa M. Besse, for almshouse,	\$12.83
Allen Russell, Jr., for supplies furnished Sylvanus Ross,	2.00
Charles M. Morse, Jr., for supplies furnished S. Ross,	8.02
Asa M. Besse, Superintendent at almshouse,	26.67
William H. Chappell, supplies furnished C. W. Sheppard,	51.00
Charles Allen, for two pigs, lumber and one day's labor,	12.00
Richard Davis, supplies furnished almshouse,	151.57
Benjamin T. Wilbur, supplies at " "	7.31
C. M. Bassett, meat " "	52.46
O. S. Besse, Superintendent,	125.00
City of New Bedford, support of paupers,	145.50
C. Clapp, meat,	7.46

Paid Richard Davis, wood for almshouse,	\$49 66
O. S. Besse, repairs at almshouse,	12.00
Moses S. Douglass, wood to C. W. Sheppard,	7.08
Alden Rounseville, shingles,	14.50
Caleb Slade, supplies to almshouse,	96.54
“ “ wood to C. W. Sheppard,	3.75
Dennis S. Mason, supplies to almshouse,	23.38
John Manter, making and repairing shoes,	12.17
O. S. Besse, slaughtering hogs and one day's labor,	4.00
Charles L. Spooner, supplies at almshouse,	8.20
Town of Abington, supplies to Joseph T. James and family,	6.10
J. E. Borden, supplies at almshouse,	3.00
O. S. Besse, balance of accounts, articles sold and articles furnished at almshouse,	2.44
Mrs. O. S. Besse, clothing and sewing for inmates,	8.20
Miss Lucy Manter, making clothing,	3.50
Charles M. Morse, Jr., supplies furnished to Joseph H. Lewis,	4.66
Ebenezer Leonard, supplies at almshouse,	4.81
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	\$865.81
Weston C. Vaughan, for burial services, &c., of Cyrus Taber, which will appear in accounts of 1889 and 1890,	\$16.00

Highway Account.

Paid Henry T. Taber,	\$37.50
Antone Belanco,	42.00
John F. Gifford,	41.84
William B. Macomber,	40.88
Valmore Hammett,	40.94
Charles H. Heath,	25.06
George W. Norton,	83.57
Walter F. Pierce,	4.50
James H. Cobb,	34.20
Benjamin Wilson,	99.25
Mrs. C. C. D. Gilmore,	43.60
Orlando S. Besse,	8.62

Paid Charles M. Morse,	\$79.20
Isaac V. Braley,	32.25
Nathaniel E. Pierce,	4.50
Edward R. Ashley,	42.00
James H. Thompson,	1.50
Edwin F. Taber,	9.75
George P. Morse,	19.60
William G. Taber,	47.55
John A. Adams,	1.20
Gustavus L. Bennett,	63.60
Cornelius A. Howland,	8.95
Latham T. Jennings,	61.49
Joseph F. Taber,	27.00
Charles P. Washburn,	3.45
G. H. Daucher,	3.50
Luther H. Reynolds,	5.30
Alexander Albro,	17.25
Alonzo Tefft,	57.60
John Hammett,	1.50
Jerome P. Tripp,	8.50
Charles L. Devoll,	43.50
Noah F. Mendall,	25.50
John P. Taber,	11.25
Alonzo Tefft, outstanding order	
of 1886,	2.40
William T. Barton,	4.50
Abram Brooks,	5.50
Granville A. Ashley,	8.00
George P. Whelden,	1.50

Construction of bridges, road filling,
south wall and railings at Hamlin Mill
crossing.

Paid Benjamin Wilson,	\$225.62
Charles L. Devoll,	99.63
George W. Norton,	116.45
John Adams,	1.50
Antone Betone,	1.50
James H. Cobb,	60.38
Everett J. Collins,	6.00
John F. Gifford,	114.42

Paid Latham T. Jennings,	\$211.07
Luther H. Reynolds,	57.81
Alexander Albro,	151.40
Charles M. Morse,	34.00
John Hammett,	10.50
Valmore Hammett,	119.42
O. S. Besse,	1.50
Charles W. Macomber,	12.75
Alden Rounseville, mast for derrick,	15.00
Isaac V. Braley,	1.50
Gustavus L. Bennett,	30.00
John P. Taber,	15.75
Charles E. Howland,	6.00
William B. Macomber,	29.48
Mrs. C. C. D. Gilmore, for team with teamster,	7.20
Alonzo Stone,	13.95
Edmund Delano,	15.45
Charles F. Norton,	1.50
	\$2459.58

According to the Laws of this Commonwealth the Selectmen are required to report the conditions of the guide boards in their respective towns in their annual report.

The guide boards in the town of Acushnet are in a good and satisfactory condition, the town having erected many new and repaired the existing ones the past year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

BENJAMIN WHITE,	} Selectmen of Acushnet.
EBENEZER LEONARD,	
MOSES S. DOUGLASS,	



REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF ACUSHNET,

BRISTOL COUNTY, MASS.,

FOR THE YEAR 1888-89.

School Committee.

CALEB SLADE, Chairman,	Term expires.
EDWARD W. ASHLEY, Secretary,	1890.
AUGUSTUS WHITE,	1889.
	1891.

Truant Officers.

CONSTABLES.

The number of children in town May 1, 1888, between 5 and 15, 179.

Amount of money for the use of Acushnet schools.

Appropriation of town,	\$1700.00
Income of school fund,	205.40
Amount of dog fund,	165.49
School revenue,	90.10
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	\$2160.99

The following tables give the usual statistics of our schools:

NO.	NAME.	TERM.	TEACHER.	WAGES.	LENGTH OF TERM.
1.	Bisbee,	Spring, Fall,	Martha W. White, Martha W. White,	\$32 32	2.5 2.5 mos.
2.	Whelden,	Winter, Spring, Fall,	Edward W. Ashley, L. D. Ashley, Myrtie E. Peckham,	35 32 32	4 2.5 2.5 "
3.	Village Grammar,	Winter, Spring, Fall,	Myrtie E. Peckham, George B. Brown, A. F. Dudley,	32 40 36	4 2.5 2.5 "
*3.	Village Primary,	Winter, Spring,	Helen M. Brightman, O. E. Kingsbury,	40 44	.5 3.5 "
		Fall,	Mary S. Howard,	32	2.5 "
4.	Perry Hill,	Winter, Spring,	Mary S. Howard, Helen M. Brightman,	32 32	2.5 2.5 "
		Fall,	Helen M. Brightman,	32	2.5 "
5.	Long Plain,	Winter, Spring,	Bessie E. Taber, C. R. Church,	35 40	4 2.5 "
		Fall,	C. R. Church,	40	3.25 "
		Winter,	C. R. Church,		3.25 "

SPRING.							FALL.							WINTER.						
Number of School.	Number of Pupils.	Pupils under five years.	Pupils over fifteen years.	Pupils between eight and fourteen years.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Number of Pupils.	Pupils under five years.	Pupils over fifteen years.	Pupils between eight and fourteen years.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Number of Pupils.	Pupils under five years.	Pupils over fifteen years.	Pupils between eight and fourteen years.	Average membership.	Average attendance.		
1	15	0	0	11	14.3	11.24	11	0	0	9	11	10	14	0	1	8	13	12.5		
2	28	0	0	23	21.86	18.77	24	0	0	18	21	20	30	0	3	20	29.25	26.19		
3	26	0	0	14	19.6	19	21	0	0	14	19.6	18.3	25	0	0	18	24.25	20.25		
*3	24	0	0	9	23.5	17.3	27	1	0	9	27	26	21	0	0	5	19.3	16		
4	31	0	0	23	29	25.6	31	0	0	21	29.6	27.28	32	0	0	21	29.27	27.7		
5	31	0	2	19	30.3	25	37	0	2	20	34.3	32	40	0	5	18	37.5	32.5		

*Village Primary.

Roll of Honor.

The following have not been absent or tardy for the school year ending with the winter term of 1889.

NO. 1—BISBEE.

SPRING—Charles L. Peckham.

FALL—Viola M. Morse, Alice H. Warner.

WINTER—Alice H. Warner, tardy once.

NO. 2—WHELDEN.

SPRING—Carrie Parker, Henry White, Eddie White, Minnie Chase, Lizzie Norton, Chas. Norton, Lillian Parris, George Parris.

FALL—Carrie Parker, Theron Parker, James Wood, Clarence Drake.

WINTER—Henry White, Theron Parker, Lizzie Norton, Lillian Parris, Chas. Norton, Chas. Sullivan.

The names of Harry Parker and Theron Parker should have been on the roll for the year ending with the winter of 1887, with those not absent or tardy for the year.

SCHOOL NO. 3—ACUSHNET GRAMMAR.

FALL—Lizzie J. Andrews.

WINTER—Lizzie J. Andrews.

SCHOOL NO. 3—V. PRIMARY.

SCHOLARS NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY.

SPRING TERM—Susie E. Dexter, James A. Thompson, Charles P. Hathaway, Harry E. Taber, Arthur C. Barton, Percy L. Ashley. Willard D. Green, tardy once.

FALL TERM—Harry E. Taber, Ralph M. Taber, Percy L. Ashley.

WINTER TERM—Willard D. Green, Harry E. Taber, Percy L. Ashley. Harry E. Taber has not had a mark against his name since he entered the school, *four years ago*. Percy L. Ashley ditto for two years.

NO. 4—PERRY HILL.

SPRING TERM—William E. Sherman, Roland S. Bumpus, Marcia C. Tripp.

FALL TERM—Clara E. Tripp, Marcia C. Tripp, Mabel F. Bumpus, Addie E. Holmes, Etta M. Nichols, Phebe P. Hathaway, Chas. B. Perry.

WINTER TERM—Etta M. Nichols, Clara E. Tripp, Florence P. Hathaway, Fred O. Tripp, Roland S. Bumpus, Bennie A. Tripp.

NO. 5—LONG PLAIN.

SPRING—Alice Braley, Emma Robinson, Ella Wilson, Susan Howland, Emerson A. Slade, Grace Wilson.

FALL—James Gammons, Alice Braley, Edward Whelden, Myra Gammons, Fred Leonard, Thos. Whelden.

WINTER—Alice Braley, Jane Howland, Thos. Whelden, Alice Howland, Susan Howland, Ella Wilson.

The School Committee herein present their annual report of the schools and school matters entrusted to their several charges for the school year ending with the spring of 1889.

The School Committee organized by the choice of Caleb Slade, Chairman, Edward W. Ashley, Secretary. The Constables were appointed Truant Officers.

We report the amount of \$2160.99 available for use of schools.

The buildings are for the most part in good condition, only requiring minor repairs, but we would recommend

the painting of several whose condition is such that an early application would save a much larger outlay in the future.

Masons have been engaged to make needed repairs on several chimneys, as soon as the weather will admit of work.

We would wish the building of two short fences at school No. 1, to prevent the trespassing upon the school yard of those who drive across, to the annoyance of the school and injury of yard and buildings.

Our schools have been uninterrupted by any contagious disease, though the report shows the effect of the open winter, colds and other simple ailments keeping many at home.

We have been, in common with other towns, forced to lose several teachers who have been called to fields of greater remuneration. We find the same trouble mentioned in keeping successful teachers by other towns with which we exchange reports.

Children should be encouraged to coöperate with their teacher in all laudable enterprises having for their aim the elevating of Moral, Physical, and Educational good. The most good to the most people should be the endeavor, not seeing how much fault can be found with any particular teacher, thus encouraging children in every little act of insubordination.

Encourage the children with words of praise, if merited, and show by your presence in the school room your interest in *our* school as well as *my child*.

We would impress upon the teachers the fact that as the town has been enabled to furnish *each school* with an extensive yard it would be advisable to limit the children to these and not allow them to run in the grounds of their neighbors to the annoyance of many.

Pennsylvania passed a law that the American flag shall

wave from each school building during its session to inculcate patriotism.

Let us by every method strive to kindle the same "love of country."

The study of civil government is recommended to be read and explained in every school, that our children may have correct ideas of how we, as a nation, are governed.

We would request that as every school in town has a well for the use of the school that Whelden, School No. 2, be provided with the same.

Our attention is called to an act of the legislature of 1888.

"Every public building and every school house shall be ventilated in such a proper manner that the air shall not become so exhausted as to be injurious to the health of the persons therein."

The following act was passed in 1885 :

"The School Committee shall not allow any pupil to attend the public schools while any member of the household to which such pupil belongs is sick of small pox, diphtheria, or scarlet fever, or during the period of two weeks after the death, recovery, or removal of such sick person, and any person coming from such household shall be required to present to the teacher of the school the pupil desires to attend, a certificate from the attending physician or board of health."

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD W. ASHLEY, Secretary.